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TAGS: CDES, FR (VALLECA, EMILIO FRED)
SUBJ: DEATHS AND ESTATES: EMILIO FRED VALLECA

REF: (A) STATE 175971, (B) STATE 173485, (C) TELCONS
SIMPSON/MULLIN/ARNOLD/HENSHAW

1. EMBALMED, AUTOPSIED REMAINS DECEASED SHIPPED BY AIR FROM DE GAULLE AIRPORT VIA TWA FLIGHT NO. 803, JULY 27, 1978 TO ARRIVE JFK SAME DAY AT OR ABOUT 1345, LOCAL TIME. EMBASSY NOT INVOLVED IN DISPOSITION OF REMAINS SINCE RECEIPT GORKOWSKI CABLE ON JULY 17, AUTHORIZING MR. JOHN R. FISK, ATTORNEY, TO DECIDE WHAT FUNDS TO BE USED FOR SHIPMENT OF REMAINS.
2. MR. FISK REPORTEDLY ABOARD SAME FLIGHT AS REMAINS. HE WILL UNDOUBTEDLY CONTACT DEPARTMENT AND MANY OF HIS ALLEGED VIP (PARTICULARLY HOLLYWOOD AND CONGRESSIONAL) FRIENDS.
3. ACCORDANCE INSTRUCTIONS FROM MRS. GORKOWSKI AND MR. FISK, FUNDS DEPOSITED OBIT/SCS ARE BEING RETURNED TO MRS. GORKOWSKI (SEE TODAY'S PARIS CABLE TO MRS. GORKOWSKI. EMBASSY INCURRED NO EXPENSES IN THIS MATTER WHATSOEVER.

4. BY LETTER DATED JULY 17 WE ASKED MR. FISK THE FOLLOWING:
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- (A) DO YOU KNOW OF THE EXISTENCE OF A WILL?
- (B) HAVE YOU BEEN APPOINTED AS TESTAMENTARY EXECUTOR OR AS ADMINISTRATOR IN INTESTATE PROCEEDINGS?
- (C) DO YOU REPRESENT ALL OF THE HEIRS OR SOME OF THE HEIRS?
- (D) ARE YOU WILLING AT THIS TIME TO TURN OVER TO THIS OFFICE THAT PORTION OF THE DECEDENT'S PERSONAL EFFECTS

NOW IN YOUR POSSESSION?

5. MR. FISK DEMANDED MUCH TIME OF EMBASSY STAFF, INCLUDING AMBASSADOR, OVER PAST TWO WEEKS. AT ALL TIMES HE HAS BEEN AGGRESSIVE, INSULTING AND EXTREMELY SARCASTIC. HE HAS CHALLENGED ALL ACTIONS WE HAVE TAKEN, EVEN TO POINT OF QUESTIONING BASIC INTERPRETATION OF STATUTES GOVERNING OUR DEATHS AND ESTATES RESPONSIBILITIES. IN EACH INSTANCE, HE WAS ACCORDED AS MUCH TIME AS HE WISHED TO EXPRESS HIMSELF FULLY.

6. WE PROVIDED MR. FISK WITH COPY OF ARTICLE 31 OF THE CONSULAR CONVENTION, QUOTED VERBATIM SECTIONS 1175-1179 OF TITLE 22, UNITED STATES CODE AND MADE AVAILABLE TO HIM ONE COPY EACH OF PAGES 220 THRU 234 OF 22 CFR PART 72.

7. MR. FISK ALSO WANTED LIST OF STEPS THIS OFFICE HAD TAKEN IN CONNECTION WITH CASE. WE FURNISHED HIM WITH SUCH LIST (COPY BEING POUCHED TO DEPARTMENT.)

8. WE APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S OM OF JULY 18 RECEIVED TODAY.
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